

March 29 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

*Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead.*

*John 11: 1-45*

Lazarus' tomb

So there you are, isolated in your tomb, a massive stone of anger and resentment sealing the grave you've dug for yourself. Maybe you've tried with all your might to push it away, but it won't budge. And just maybe the other person is just as angry and hurt as you are. So you — and they — remain buried in the sad, pointless darkness of Lazarus' tomb.

Yeah, it stinks. But what do you expect? There's a stench to being dead: the constant cynicism, the relentless fear, the refusing to embrace or be embraced by happiness or daring to hope. Isn't it about time to let some fresh air into Lazarus' tomb?

What has you tied up: Some substance or drug? An obsession with food or money? The constant need to be plugged into some device or eyes buried in some screen? A perception or attitude or conviction that alienates you from others? A family battle that has gone on too long? Often, the silliest and most irrational "burial bands" can keep us tied hand and foot in Lazarus' tomb.

***The Gospel Jesus who calls Lazarus from his tomb calls us out of the tombs we dig for ourselves in order to walk in the light of hope and possibility. He calls us to live life to the fullest, to bring the love of God into our cold, winter world. Jesus calls not only to Lazarus but to all of us: Come out! Untie yourselves from the wrappings of death! Live to the fullest the life given to you by a loving God. As Jesus instructs Lazarus' friends to roll away the stone and free Lazarus from his tomb, Jesus calls us to the work of Easter healing and transformation, the work of freeing one another from our graves of hopelessness, alienation and fear.***

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# Sacred Heart Parish

**A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ**

Parish Information

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**Weekend Masses:**

Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m.

**Reconciliation:**

By request

**Mass During the Week:**

**CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

**Holy Hour of Adoration:**

Third Sunday of the Month at 2 p.m.

**Marriages:**

Six months' notice required. A year's notice is recommended.

**Baptisms:**

Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.

**St. Vincent de Paul:**

To assist those in need. Call 638-9010.

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March 22, 2020

Regular Sunday	
Building Fund	
Lent Folders	
Mass Stipends	

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Tues, 7 pm	Late Pierce Brake
Wed, 10 am	Special Intention
Thur, 7 pm	Late Mary Park
Fri, 10 am	Late Peter O'Brien
Sat, 4:30 pm	Late Molly Brake
Sun, 11 am	Parish Community

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

**March 28**

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**Communion of the Sick**

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**CANCELLATION OF MASS:** Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, weekday and weekend masses will not be celebrated in this church for the time being. Masses will be live streamed on Sundays at 10:30 am and Monday to Friday at 9 am. Please visit our diocesan website [rcchurch.com](http://rcchurch.com) for more information.

**CONFIRMATION:** Due to the restrictions surrounding the Corona Virus (Covid-19), all confirmation classes are postponed. The celebration of confirmation is also postponed.

**PAPAL PRAYER INTENTION:** We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

**THE DIOCESAN CHRISM MASS:** Due to the restrictions surrounding the Corona Virus (Covid-19), the celebration of the Chrism Mass is also postponed.

**PARISH OFFERINGS:** Thank you to the parishioners who have continued to make their weekly offering. So far this has been done by dropping their collection in our mailbox. While our first concern as a parish is our praise of God through the prayers we offer Him and the prayers we offer for each other, still financial realities are always present. We encourage parishioners to continue to provide for the parish through the weekly offering. If you wish, this offering can be dropped off at our mailbox, but please call the parish office and let us know that you have done this. We do not want to leave money unattended. Thank you for your support.



**The Memorare**

Remember O most loving Virgin Mary that it is a thing unheard of, that anyone ever had recourse to your protection, implored your help or sought your intercession and was left unaided. Filled therefore with confidence in your goodness, I fly to you O Mother, Virgin of virgins, to you I come, before you I stand, a sorrowful sinner. Despise not my poor words O Mother of the Word of God, but graciously hear and grant my prayer. Amen



*"In dangers, in doubts, in difficulties, think of Mary, call upon Mary. Let not her name depart from your lips, never suffer it to leave your heart. And that you may obtain the assistance of her prayer, neglect not to walk in her footsteps....."*  
**Saint Bernard of Clairvaux**